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LifeCare Hospitals proposes 60-bed, long-term care hospital in Pitt County

RALEIGH – LifeCare Hospitals of North Carolina, LLC and Health Care REIT, Inc. have filed an application with the Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation to construct a 60-bed long term care hospital.

A public hearing for this project has been scheduled for 11 a.m. on Jan. 18 in the Second Floor Courtroom, Town of Farmville Town Hall, 3672 N. Main St., Farmville.

LifeCare Hospitals of North Carolina, LLC proposes to construct 60 long-term care beds to be located at the intersection of Allen Road and Briarcliff Drive in Greenville. LifeCare Management Services proposes operating the separately licensed facility as a satellite of the Rocky Mount Long-Term Care Hospital.

Long-term care hospitals (LTCHs) furnish extended medical and rehabilitative care to individuals who are clinically complex and have multiple acute or chronic conditions. An LTCH must be certified as an acute care hospital that meets criteria to participate in the Medicare program and has an average inpatient length of stay greater than 25 days.

Anyone may file written comments concerning these proposals. Comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Section no later than Dec. 31 at the following address:

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